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Re: Request for Certificate of Correction

Consideration has been given your request for the issuance of a certificate of correction for the above-identified patent under the provisions of Rule(s) 1.322 and 1.323.

Inspection of the application for the patent reveals, however, that in connection with the alleged error pertaining to the entry of Foreign Application Priority data of which applicant has referred; the case was processed under 35 USC 111 not 35 USC 371. Therefore, a certified copy of the priority document was required as per 35 USC 119. The "copy" of the priority document from the International Bureau is not a certified copy as required by 119. It only serves for 35 USC 371.

In view of the foregoing applicants request in this matter is hereby denied. Any telephone inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Ms. A. Green at (703) 308-9380 ext. 123.

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